the forest villages as a pilot project; and

(c) if so, what are the main features of the proposed scheme and the quantum of Central aid provided to the States Government in implementing the scheme?

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI): (a) Yes Sir. The State of Madhya Pradesh has prepared an Environmental Forestry Scheme involving a cost of Rs. 1.50 crores.

(b) and (c) The scheme is intended to create strip and block plantations in the major cities and towns and is in progress. The scheme is funded from the State Plan and no separate Central assistance is given.

**Molestation Incidents in Delhi**

2497. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that increasing number of incidents of molestation of women/girl students both in Delhi Transport Corporation buses and outside has been reported in Delhi during the last two-three months; and

(b) if so, what preventive steps are being taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Strict watch is kept over the activities of bad elements. Close watch is made near the sensitive educational institutions, women's colleges/ etc. Legal action is taken against the culprits after receiving such complaints. Surprise checking is done in D.T.C. buses to avoid such incidents. Police patrolling by beat and division staff and in plain cloths has been intensified. The D. T C. have opened various Complaints Cells with telephone numbers to lodge complaints on phone or in writing. Disciplinary action is taken against the erring conductors and drivers of D.T.C. buses.

**Botanical Garden in Seshachalam Hills, Tirupati, Andhra Pradesh**

2498. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the Minster of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether there is any proposal to set up a botanical garden in Seshachalam Hills Tirupati in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI Z R. ANSARI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) At present there is no scheme for setting up botanic gardens in different parts of the country.

**Articles missing from Golden Temple Complex**

2499. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that two most valuable possessions are missing since May, 1988 from the Sikh Museum in the Golden Hemple Complex;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) whether Government have made any efforts to trace the missing articls and if so, with what results?